

God's Story in Your Life

My primary goal in writing this study is to awaken you to the truth that **God has a purpose for your life, and He wants you to pursue it!** Sometimes, it's hard to see that purpose. Seasons of pain make it difficult to look past the current moment, while times of peace can lull us to sleep. We may feel too insignificant to make a difference or believe the lie that we lack the resources and connections we need to move forward. Wherever you are right now, this is just the beginning of something amazing that God wants to do!

Where does this story start? What is your "before" image?

Before we can tackle resources, connections, or even a plan, we need to find that purpose. Let's not over-spiritualize this question. We find our purpose at the intersection of our abilities, experiences, and passion. What abilities has God given you as natural talents or learned skills? What experiences have shaped your worldview and given you empathy toward people in need? What needs in the world spark your passion and light a fire in your heart? The intersection of these three questions will point a giant spotlight on your purpose.

What Purpose do you see at the intersection of your abilities, experiences, and passion?

Abilities:

Experiences:

Passion:

Purpose:

Just as books vary by style, tone, and mood, our lives each have a unique flavor created by our personalities. Are you most at home in a crowd, or do you prefer solitude and silence? Do you get caught up in the details, or do you focus on the big picture? Do people naturally follow your lead, or are you someone others feel safe confiding in? **Your personality is not a detriment to the calling God has placed on your life.** You are exactly who you need to be to do what He created you to do. God did not make any mistakes when He made you.

How does your unique personality give flavor to the purpose God has for your life?